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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.56, applicants submit the documents attached hereto. Pursuant to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, OG Notice 05 August 2003, applicants have excluded the four (4) U.S. patent documents from the attachment. A listing of said documents on form PTO-1449 is also attached. All documents listed on the PTO-1449 are to be made of record in the above-identified case.

The present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the mailing date of the Office Action dated October 17, 2003 pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c). Authorization to charge applicants' deposit account for the full amount of the

fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) for such filing is hereby made on the attached Transmittal Letter.

Japanese Patent Application No. 2609186 B2 is not in the English language, however applicants submit herewith corresponding U.S. Patent Number 5,277,764.

This Statement is not intended to represent that no better art exists. Applicants reserve the right to contest the applicability of the documents attached hereto as prior art in the event that any information is discovered which demonstrates that said documents do not qualify as prior art.

Consideration of the present Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested. The claimed invention is, however, deemed to represent a patentable departure from the teachings of the prior art.

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